## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

| Meeting Date: January 18, 2006   | Division: Growth Management   |
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| Bulk Item: Yes No _x   | Department: Building  |
|  | Staff Contact Person: Dianne Bair, CFM                                    |
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| AGENDA ITEM WORDING:   |   |
| Public hearing to consider an application submitted  | by Dr. Tracey M. Baker to appeal the denial of an                         |
| After-the-Fact building permit application #051-360  | 69 to remove drywall and install cement board in a                        |
| pre-FIRM ground level building.  |   |
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| ITEM BACKGROUND:   |   |
| On June 24, 2005, Dr. Baker submitted an After-th  | ne-Fact building permit application (#051-3669) to                        |
| resolve a Stop Work Order placed on his propert  | y at 15 Boulder Dr., Saddlebunch Key, by Code                             |
| Enforcement on August 2003. The application for re   | emoval of drywall and installation of cement board                        |
| was denied by the Growth Management Division, b  | ecause the pre-FIRM structure had been previously                         |
| determined to be a substantially improved. Prior to  | Dr. Baker's purchase of the property on June 23,                          |
| 2003, his attorney Frank Greenman, requested a letter  | er of determination of the status of the property. In                     |
| a May 14, 2003, letter issued by Ms. Bair, CFM, S  | pecial Projects Administrator, Mr. Greenman was                           |
| advised that the subject building had been substa  | attacks the formation at the first the first that the first term its and, |
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| the applicant. The applicant also did not appeal   | the denial of an After the Foot building remain                           |
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## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION BY THE MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS **DENYING** A REQUEST BY TRACY M. BAKER TO OVERTURN THE DENIAL OF BUILDING PERMIT 051-3669 BASED ON THE DETERMINATION BY THE MONROE COUNTY GROWTH MANAGEMENT DIVISION THAT THE STRUCTURE HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN SUBSTANTIALLY IMPROVED WITHOUT MEETING CURRENT REGULATIONS INCLUDING BUILDING CODES AND ELEVATION REQUIREMENTS.

WHEREAS, Tracy M. Baker submitted a building permit application 051-3669 requesting improvements to a pre-FIRM (Flood Insurance Rate Map) ground level building to address a code enforcement "finding of violation" on a building deemed substantially improved without benefits of permit and without meeting current codes; and

**WHEREAS,** the subject property is located at 15 Boulder Drive, Bay Point, Florida and legally described as Block 7, Lot 8, Bay Point Amended Plat, Saddlebunch Keys PB 3-75; Township 67, Range 28 and having real estate number 00161250-000000; and

WHEREAS, the application filed is a request to appeal the decision by Dianne Bair, CFM, Special Projects Administrator, denying permit application 051-3669 in a letter dated June 30, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the denial for the application 051-3669 was based on a previously written determination in a letter dated May 14, 2003 which was not appealed; and

WHEREAS, Section 9.5-317(a) states: Generally: No building permit for proposed construction within an area of special flood hazard shall be granted unless the proposed construction is in compliance with the standards set forth in this division; and

WHEREAS, Section 9.5-317(b)(1)(a.) states: New construction or substantial improvements of any residential structure shall have the lowest floor for zones A1-30, AE and AH or the bottom of the lowest supporting members for zones V1-30, VE or V elevated at or above the base flood elevation level; and

WHEREAS, Section 9.5-316.1 states: except as provided for the elevated portion of a nonconforming residential structure by sec. 9.5-317(a)(10), no structure or manufactured home hereafter shall be located, extended, converted or structurally altered without full compliance with the terms of this division in addition to other applicable regulations of this chapter; and

WHEREAS, Section 6-18(c) states: A building permit shall only be issued if the building official finds it consistent with the Florida Building Codes and this chapter and is compliant with chapter 9.5 of this Code, as determined by the Planning Director; and

WHEREAS, the applicant was informed in letters dated May 14, 2003 and January 24, 2004, that the building had been substantially improved and permits may only be issued if the structure is elevated to or above the required base flood elevation and brought into compliance with all applicable building and development codes; and

**WHEREAS,** Policy 101.8.10 of the Monroe County Comprehensive Plan requires non-conforming structures requiring substantial improvements to comply wit all code provisions; *and* 

**WHEREAS,** Policy 217.1.6 of the Monroe County Comprehensive Plan requires enforcement of federal, state and local setback and elevation requirements to promote protection and safety of life and property; *and* 

WHEREAS, the following material has been entered into the record and considered by the Board of County Commissioners.

- 1. An Application for an Administrative Appeal received August 11, 2005 by the Monroe County Planning Department and filed by Franklin D. Greenman, Esq.; and
- 2. The staff report prepared on October 13, 2005 by K. Dianne Bair, CFM Special Projects Administrator; and
- 3. A copy of the Monroe County Property Appraiser's Property Record Card, dated 1/27/2004, with a notation that "The SRF has been gutted and is being rebuilt plus an addition. The sale was more or less a land purchase."; and
- 4. The May 14, 2003 substantial improvement determination, the January 26, 2004 letter of denial and the June 30, 2005 letter of denial letter; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the preceding Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law support its decision to **DENY** the Administrative Appeal by Tracy M. Baker and affirm the decision of the Growth Management Division.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** By the Board of County Commission of Monroe County, Florida, at a regular meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January 2006.

Mayor Charles "Sonny" McCoy Mayor Pro Tem Murray Nelson Commissioner Dixie Spehar Commissioner George Neugent Commissioner David P. Rice

MONROE COUNTY ATTORNEY
APPROVED AS TO FORM

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# STAFF REPORT

#### Growth Management Division

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Comm. George Neugent, Dist. 2 Comm. David P. Rice, Dist. 4

### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Tim McGarry, Director, Growth Management Division

FROM:

Dianne Bair, CFM Special Projects Administrator

DATE:

October 13, 2005

RE:

Tracy Baker Administrative Appeal

## **MEETING DATE:**

January 18, 2006

#### REQUEST:

#### A. Description of Project:

Dr. Baker applied to the Monroe County Planning and Building Department for an after the fact permit to complete a storage area using flood resistant material on existing walls on June 24, 2005. The after the fact application was a result of a Notice of Violation and stop work order placed on the property by Code Enforcement on August 25, 2003. This application was denied because the structure had previously been determined to be a substantial improvement on May 14, 2003. The substantial improvement occurred without benefit of permits and without meeting elevation requirements or current building code requirements. The initial substantial improvement is protected by Judge Richard G. Payne's circuit court ruling on the four-year statute of limitations. In a letter dated May 14, 2003, prior to purchasing the property, the applicant was advised that after the fact and to complete permits may only be issued if the structure was elevated to or above the base flood elevation.

#### **B.** Location of Property:

The property is located on Saddlebunch Keys, Block 7, Lot 8 Bay Point Amended Plat, S8, T67, R27 Monroe County, Florida. The Real Estate Number is 00161250.000000. The physical address for the parcel is 15 Boulder Drive. This is a one story ground level

house built in 1958. The structure lies in a split flood zone of VE-12 and AE 10 and the average grade is between 3 to 5 feet above mean sea level.

## C. Applicant/Appellant/Appellant Agent:

Applicant/Owner: Tracy M. Baker

Appellant: Tracy M. Baker

Agent: Franklin D. Greenman, Attorney at Law, Gulfside Village, Suite 40, 5800

Overseas Highway, Marathon, FL 33050

## D. Precise Decision Being Appealed:

A letter from Dianne Bair, CFM, Special Projects Administrator, Growth Management Division dated June 30, 2005, to Tracy M. Baker denying after the fact application 051-3369 to remove drywall below base flood elevation and replace with flood resistant material in order to complete the storage area.

Section 9.5-31(a) Generally: No building permit for proposed construction within an area of special flood hazard shall be granted unless the proposed construction is in compliance with the standards set forth in this division.

The building was substantially improved and the lowest floor is not elevated to or above the required base flood elevation. After-the Fact removal of drywall and installation of cement board is not in compliance with the substantial improvement requirements of the Floodplain Management Ordinance.

Section 9.5-317(b)(1)a. New construction or substantial improvements of any residential structure shall have the lowest floor for zones A1-30, AE and AH or bottom of the lowest supporting member for zones V1-30, VE or V elevated at or above the base flood elevation level.

The building was substantially improved and lowest floor is not at or above base flood elevation. A determination that the building is substantially improved was issued in a letter dated May 14, 2003. The letter set forth notice that no after the fact or new permits may be issued unless the building is elevated at or above the base flood elevation and brought into compliance with all applicable building and development codes. This determination was not appealed.

<u>Section 9.5-316.1</u> Except as provided for the elevated portion of a nonconforming residential structure by sec. 9.5-317(a)(10), no structure or manufactured home hereafter shall be located, extended, converted or structurally altered without full compliance with the terms of this division in addition to other applicable regulations of this chapter.

The appellant states "He converted what was previously a substandard apartment into a storage area". This conversion was the subject of a stop work order and a violation was found by the Special Master on May 26, 2005. The conversion is not in full compliance

with the terms of this division and other applicable regulations of this chapter. The building is not elevated and it is unknown whether or not the un-permitted rehabilitation meets the safety standards required by Florida Building Codes.

<u>Section 6-18(c)</u> A building permit shall only be issued, if the building official finds it consistent with the Florida Building Codes and this chapter and is compliant with chapter 9.5 of this Code, as determined by the planning director.

The building is substantially improved, not elevated, not in compliance with 9.5.-317, substantial improvements, and questionable as to what liability rests with the County in issuing an "after-the-fact" building permit in a portion of a structure where it is unknown whether or not major un-permitted reconstruction and additions meet the safety standards required by Florida Building Codes and that has not had the benefit of a certificate of occupancy.

#### E. Date of Decision:

June 30, 2005

#### F. Additional Information

- 2003 Mr. Franklin D. Greenman, attorney for the applicant requested a determination from the County as to the status of the residence before the applicant purchased the property.
- May 14, 2003 a letter was issued by Dianne Bair, CFM, Special Projects Administrator determining that the residence had been substantially improved. The letter advised that "after the fact and to complete permits may only be issued if the structure is elevated to or above the base flood elevation."
- May 24, 2003 Mr. Greenman advised Dr. Baker of the County's position and that code enforcement prosecutions for the un-permitted activity (the substantial improvement) was barred by the statutes of limitations.
- June 23, 2003. Dr. Baker purchased the property.
- August 25, 2003 a "stop work order" was posted on the property for work in progress without a permit. On January 26, 2004 Dr. Baker made an application for an "after the fact" permit 041-306 for "repairs and awning removal, replace damaged drywall, trim and paint and replace 400 square foot of tile". Application 041-306 was denied under the same basis as this permit 051-3369 being appealed.

## G. Applicant/Appellant's Desired Solution:

To allow the applicant to obtain an after-the-fact permit to complete the storage area using flood resistant dry wall on the pre-existing walls.

# Applicant/Appellant's Basis of Appeal:

# Appellant's first argument is as follows:

Section 9.5-316.2 allows "Market Value" to be established by the property appraisals submitted by the applicant. In the June 30 letter, the County relies on the Monroe County Property Appraisers valuation for the determination of "market value" before Hurricane Georges at \$69,923.00. In the same letter, reference is made to the private appraisal that the applicant provided for 1997, over a year before Hurricane Georges that established the value of the home at \$325,000. There is no reason given why the lower Property Appraisers value was utilized in determining Market Value in light of the qualified appraisal provided.

## Staff response to the applicant/appellant's first argument:

In contradiction to the appellant's statements, the June 30, 2005 denial letter specifically states that the 1997 private appraisal and a 2003 private appraisal were in fact used in conjunction with the property appraiser's information for the 2003 substantial improvement determination. However, the \$325,000.00 value quoted by the appellant is total property value including land and miscellaneous improvements, not just the building value. The \$69,923.00 building is the only value that can be considered in substantial/non-substantial determinations. The May 14, 2003 substantial improvement determination was never appealed and still stands. Therefore the appellant is barred from basing his appeal of the denial of permit 051-3369 on the issue of substantial improvement. As the building had been determined to be substantially improved on May 14, 2003, which was not appealed by the applicant, the County had no other option than to deny permit 051-3369 pursuant to County floodplain regulations.

## Appellant's second argument is as follows:

There is no attempt in the June 30 letter to place a value on the construction improvements to the house. The determination that it is a "Substantial Improvement" in excess of 50% of the value of the property has no basis in fact presented by the applicant or the county.

## Staff response to the applicant/appellant's second argument:

The June 30 2005 letter denies permit application 051-3369 because the substantial improvement determination was made in 2003 and addressed in a letter dated May 14, 2003, a month prior to the purchase of the property by the current owner. This decision was never appealed. However, the value on the construction improvements to the house is in the June 30, 2005 denial letter on page two (1, (2, and (3))).

#### Appellant's third argument is as follows:

Section 9.5-316.2 allows the County Building Official to consider the cost approach in determining the value of the construction "consistent with local construction costs". The County has made no effort whatsoever to determine the value of the construction. That section goes to state, "Where the cost approach is not accepted by the staff because it appears to be inconsistent with local construction costs, an applicant may request review by an independent third party appraiser duly authorized by the County". The property owner was not afforded the opportunity for third-party review that is authorized by the code.

#### Staff response to the applicant/appellant third argument:

Contrary to the agent's allegations, both an appraisal submitted by the applicant AND the property appraisers records were utilized and supported the substantial improvement determination of 2003. This was noted in item (3. page two of the June 30, 2005 denial letter. However, the SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT definition, requires determinations be made **before** the improvement is started or if the structure has been damaged and is being repaired, before the damage occurred. No requests were submitted to the County before the improvements or repair began. The improvements leading to the 2003 determination were all "after the fact" and protected by the four-year statute of limitations. This precludes consideration of an appraisal seven years after the improvements began and the rehabilitation is complete.

## Appellant's fourth argument is as follows:

The post Hurricane Georges increase in value is attributed entirely to the alleged construction improvements with no consideration whatsoever for the substantial increase in property values that occurred throughout the County.

### Staff response to the applicant/appellant fourth argument:

This argument addresses the 2003 substantial improvement determination rather than the 2005 denial of the permit and cannot be a basis of this appeal. However, for informational purposes, the valuations used for the 2003 substantial improvement determination, did consider increase in property values that occur throughout the County. The 1998 building value was \$69,923.00 and the 1999 building value is \$74,746.00. This is a 7% increase. The 1999 building value is \$74,746.00 and the 2000 building is \$79,568.00. This is a 6% increase. The 2000 and 2001 building values remained the same. The 2001 building value is \$79,568.00 and the 2002 building value is \$144,998.00. This is an 82% increase. This progression of property values was considered in the 2003 substantial improvement determination. Additionally, the notation from an on site visit from the property appraiser was significant in the determination that the improvements to this building were not from a

general increase in values that occurred throughout the County. The appraiser's notes on the property tax card state: "The SFR has been gutted and is being rebuilt plus an addition. The sale was more or less a land purchase."

## Appellant's fifth argument is as follows:

The county has failed to take into consideration that the construction improvements alleged to be a "Substantial Improvement" in excess of 50% of the value of the home was in fact the demolition of a pre-existing below flood residential apartment and its replacement with a dedicated storage area using flood resistant materials. The property owner's activity seems to be more consistent with the policies and purposes of our Code and Comprehensive Plan that is taken into consideration in the June 30 letter.

## Staff response to the applicant/appellant fifth argument:

The construction improvements consisting of the demolition of a pre-existing below flood residential apartment and replacement with a dedicated storage area are the result of a stop work order and Notice of Violation which was for work in progress, not protected by the four-year statute of limitations. This work is located in a building that has previously been deemed substantially improved and where the property owner had previously been advised that after-the-fact and to complete permits may only be issued if the structure is elevated to or above the base flood elevation. The demolition of the pre-existing residential apartment and replacement with a dedicated storage area had not begun at the time the building was determined to be substantially improved, which was prior to the applicant purchasing the property. This construction occurred after the applicant purchased the property. It would be more consistent with the policies and purposes of the Code and Comprehensive plan for the converted "storage" area to remain unfinished except for protective paint.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Deny by approving the attached resolution and findings of fact.

# PART A:

# STAFF EXHIBITS

Property tax card

Code enforcement chronology

Progressive increase in values

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Letter dated January 26, 2004

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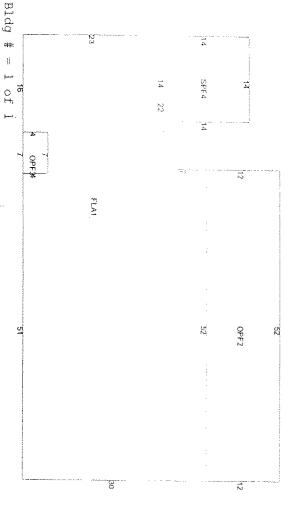
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| 11/4/2005                                | 16:49:42 | REMINDER LETTER SENT        | LTR TO ATTY RE: 12/01/05 HEARING   |  |  |
| 8/18/2005                                | 08:51:24 | REINSPECTION FOR HEARING    | UNDER APPEAL   |  |  |
| 7/28/2005 08:39:26 IMPOSITION OF PENALTY |          |                             | ON JULY 28TH 2005, THE SPECIAL MAGISTRATE IMPOSED THE PENALTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250 PER DAY TO BEGIN ON 08/25/05 IF NOT COMPLIANT. THE CASE WAS CONTINUED TO 08/25/05 |  |  |
| 7/21/2005                                | 14:47:04 | REINSPECTION FOR HEARING    | NEEDS TO DEMO INTERIOR   |  |  |
| 6/2/2005                                 | 10:54:44 | COMMENT CODE                | LIEN RECORDED 06/02/05 FOR 100.00<br>BOOK PAGE   |  |  |
| 5/26/2005 10:09:43 FINDING OF FACT       |          |                             | FOUND IN VIOLATION \$100 ADMIN COSTS IMP. RESERVED ON FINES. CHARGE OF 9.5-111(A) AMENDED TO 9.5-111(1). COMP. 07/21/05 HEARING 07/28/05                               |  |  |
| 2/24/2005                                | 07:47:15 | SM CASE CONTINUED NO ACTION | THE CASE WAS CONTINUED TO 05/26/05   |  |  |
| 12/2/2004                                | 17:27:03 | SM CASE CONTINUED NO ACTION | CONTINUED TO 01/27/05<br>COMPLIANCE 01/20/05   |  |  |
| 11/3/2004                                | 14:38:39 | CERTIFIED ON HEARING NOTICE | SERVICE GOOD, GREEN CARD RETURNED  |  |  |
| 10/28/2004                               | 15:22:33 | SENT TO LIAISON             | SET FOR DEC HEARING  |  |  |
| 10/28/2004                               | 15:16:34 | SENT TO DIRECTOR FOR REVIEW | SET FOR DEC HEARING  |  |  |
| 11/21/2003                               | 11:39:42 | NOV CERTIFIED RETURNED      | CERTIFIED RECPT RET'D - GOOD SERVICE<br>7002 1000 0004 8085 2636   |  |  |
| 11/5/2003                                | 09:25:38 | NOTICE OF VIOLATION         | NOTICE OF VIOLATION SENT TO ALTERNATE<br>ADDRESS - C/O BAKER PLASTIC SURGERY<br>9155 S. DADELAND BLVD., MAIMI, FL 33010  |  |  |
| 9/24/2003                                | 08:30:24 | NOV CERTIFIED RETURNED      | CERTIFIED NOV RET'D - "UNCLAIMED"  |  |  |
| 9/4/2003                                 | 10:43:03 | NOTICE OF VIOLATION         | NOTICE OF VIOLATION SENT TO PROPERTY<br>OWNER  |  |  |
| 9/4/2003                                 | 09:58:42 | COMMENT CODE                | TC TO DR. BAKER- UNABLE TO MAKE CONTACT<br>ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION<br>WILL SEND NOV  |  |  |
| 8/27/2003                                | 10:32:24 | STOP WORK ORDER             | STOP WORK ORDER POSTED AT SITE   |  |  |
| 8/27/2003                                | 10:31:44 | REINSPECTION                | REINSPECTION OF SITE - PHOTOS TAKEN  |  |  |
| 8/25/2003                                | 13:47:29 | CREATE A CASE               | VIOLATION RECORDED NORMANR   |  |  |
| 8/21/2003                                | 13:50:40 | INITIÀL INSPECTION TYPE     | INITIAL INSPECTION-BLACK P/UP WITH INSULATION ON SITE. NO ONE ANSWERED DOOR  |  |  |
| 8/21/2003                                | 13:47:53 | INITIAL INSPECTION TYPE     | SITE VISIT - PHOTOS TAKEN  |  |  |

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# Progressive Increase in property valuations vs improvement valuations

| 1998<br>1999<br>Increase | \$69,923.00<br>\$74,746.00<br>4,823.00          | 7%  |
|--------------------------|---|-----|
| 1999<br>2000<br>Increase | \$74,746.00<br>\$79,568.00<br>4,822             | 6%  |
| 2000<br>2001             | \$79,568.00<br>\$79,568.00                      | -0- |
| 2001<br>2002<br>Increase | \$79,568.00<br><u>\$144,998.00</u><br>65,430.00 | 82% |
| 2002<br>2003<br>Increase | \$144,998.00<br><u>\$182,595.00</u><br>37,597   | 26% |

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May 14, 2003

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Frank Greenman Esq. Gulfside Village, Suite 40 Marathon, FL 33050

Dear Mr. Greenman:

I have reviewed the information you have provided to me in order to determine whether or not the after the fact rehabilitation that occurred on this structure constitutes a substantial or a non substantial improvement. My review included comparing an April 18, 1997 appraisal, prepared by Mike Russo, a state registered REA, to a February 10, 2003 appraisal prepared by Robert J. Tedesco, state registered residential REA. I also compared the values on the property tax card from the year 1997 to the year 2002 using the current formula of property appraiser's depreciated building value plus twenty percent (20%) to determine whether the after the fact improvements exceeded the 50% improvement threshold.

As you know the property tax card appraiser notes say the home has been gutted and rebuilt plus an addition. There were many discrepancies in the documentation I had to review and the 1997 appraisal did not have a breakdown between the building valuation and the land valuation. The 1997 market value was \$325,000 and the 2003 market value is 575,000. This is a 57% increase, but it is inconsequential to the building value review.

The current property record card indicated that a 782 SF enclosed porch had been rehabilitated into floor living area. However this appears to be incorrect because the 1997 appraisal shows this is living area except for 493 square feet, which was an attached garage. There is a 624 square foot screened porch addition and a 165 square foot porch addition. These additions and the interior rehabilitation were done after hurricane Georges and without permits.

The 1997 depreciated building value was \$48,223.00. Using current methods pursuant to the Monroe County Code adding 20% to this value the total would be \$57,867.00. Forty-nine.nine percent of that value is \$77,098.00 This would be non-substantial because the 2002 depreciated building value is \$72, 286.00. The structure would still have \$4,812.00 before the substantial threshold has been reached. However the additions of the 624 SF screen porch and the 196 SF porch must be considered.

Means Construction Manual calculates an average porch at 24.10 per square foot. 820 SF x \$24.10/SF totals an improvement value of \$19,620.00. This would exceed the non-substantial threshold. Additionally several potential buyers have said that the 701 square foot storage/bath part of the structure is not in very good condition. Some indicated there were some cracked walls. This repair would still need to be figured into the calculations.

This type of after the fact review is difficult at best. However, based upon the information you provided and the Monroe County tax records, it is my opinion that this structure has been substantially improved and after the fact and to complete permits may only be issued if this structure is elevated to or above the base flood elevation.

If you have any questions or additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (305) 289-2518.

Sincerely,

Dianne Bair, CFM

Floodplain Administrator

cc: Timothy J. McGarry, Director, Growth Management

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January 26, 2004

Tracy M. Baker 15 Boulder Drive Bay Point, FL 33040

RE: permit application 041-306, RE#00161250 000000

Dear Mr. Baker

This letter is to inform you that the structure referenced above built before the current elevation requirements were in effect is nonconforming to the elevation requirements contained in Section 9.5-317 of the Monroe County Code and subject to non substantial improvements requirements, more commonly known as the 50% rule. These ground level structures are known as pre-FIRM (Flood Insurance Rate Map) structures.

Federal law, state law and the Monroe County Floodplain Management Ordinance require that improvements to pre-FIRM ground level structures be limited to less than 50% of the market value of the existing structure without being subject to the elevation requirements. The Monroe County Floodplain Management Ordinance defines market value as the Monroe County Property Appraiser's depreciated value of the structure plus 20%.

I am enclosing a letter to Mr. Frank Greenman, attorney at law, dated May 14, 2003 from me. Mr. Greenman requested a determination as to whether or not the building had been substantially damaged during hurricane Georges. The review of the information he provided resulted in a determination that the structure had been substantially damaged and some work had been done to repair the structure and add to the structure without benefit of a permit. The end result is that "after the fact"

and "to complete" permits may only be issued if the structure is brought into compliance with the elevation requirement for substantially damaged buildings.

You have the right to appeal this decision. If you choose to do so, please obtain an application form from the Planning Coordinator's office (305) 289-2500. An appeal must be filed within 30 working days of this decision and be accompanied by all non-refundable applicable filing fees.

If you would like to discuss your situation you may contact Dianne Bair at (305) 289-2518

Sincerely,

Dianne Bair

Special Projects Administrator

# PART B:

# ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL APPLICATION



Please note that the evidence and record which forms the basis for the appeal <u>must be submitted with this application</u>.

If new evidence or the basis for appeal is submitted at the Planning Commission hearing, the Planning Staff will request that the hearing be continued to the next Planning Commission meeting in the area (six weeks) so that the staff has the opportunity to prepare a response to the new evidence.

If the applicant does not submit the basis for the appeal with the application, the Planning Staff will recommend denial of the appeal.

## PLEASE COMPLETE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

| 1) | DECISION BEING APPEALED:Denial of permit application         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|----|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 2) | DATE OF DECISION BEING APPEALED:June 30, 2005                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3) | APPELLANT:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Name:Tracy M. Baker  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Address:15 Boulder Drive                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | City/State/Zip:Baypoint, FL 33040                            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Phone Number: (Home) (Work) (Fax)                            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4) | AGENT (If Applicable):                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Name:Franklin D. Greenman, Esq.                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Address:5800 Overseas Highway, Suite 40                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | City/State/Zip:Marathon, FL 33050                            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Phone Number:(Home) (Work) (305)743-2351 (Fax) (305)743-6523 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

APPLICANT MUST SUBMIT A NOTARIZED LETTER AUTHORIZING THE AGENT TO ACT ON HIS BEHALF AND STATING THE AGENT'S NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE AND FAX NUMBER.

| 5) |     | OWNER:  |
|----|-----|---|
|    |     | Name: Same as applicant   |
|    |     | Address:  |
|    |     | City/State/Zip:   |
|    |     | Phone Number: (Home)(Work)(Fax)   |
|    | 6)  | LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot: 8 Block: 7  |
|    |     | Subdivision:Bay Point Amended Plat, Saddlebunch Keys, PB3, page 75  |
|    |     | If in metes and bounds, attach legal description on separate sheet. Also,   |
|    |     | KEY:MM:   |
|    | 7)  | A) LAND USE DESIGNATION:IS  |
|    |     | B) REAL ESTATE NUMBER(S):00161250-000000 Alternate Key #1206822   |
|    | 8)  | A COPY OF THE BASIS FOR THE APPEAL IN THE NATURE OF AN INITIAL BRIEF AND ANY EVIDENCE INCLUDING TESTIMONY, AFFIDAVITS AND THE CURRICULUM VITAE OF ANY EXPERT WITNESS THAT WILL BE CALLED MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION The brief must at a minimum state all grounds for the appeal, including, but not limited to, the law being appealed and any facts necessary interpretation of those laws. (Attach additional sheets of paper if necessary.) |
|    | 9)  | NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL EXPERT WITNESSES THAT YOU PROPOSE TO CALL AT THE HEARING:  |
|    |     | Appraisers, Construction Value Appraisers and Licensed Contractors  |
|    |     |   |
|    | 10) | Are there any pending codes violations on the property? Yes   |
|    |     | If yes, please explain:50% rule asserted without factual basis.   |
|    |     |   |

11) A copy of the document(s), which comprise the administrative decision being appealed.

A copy of the letter from Dianne Bair dated June 30, 2005 is attached hereto.

Typed Name and address <u>Mailing Labels</u> of all adjacent landowners must accompany this application. <u>Also</u>, please provide the listing of the names, subdivision name, lot and block # and the RE #'s for each address and note those that are adjacent to the property. (Adjacent landowner means an owner of land sharing a boundary with another parcel of land. An intervening road, right-of-way, easement or canal does not destroy the adjacency of the two parcels.) ATTACHED

I certify that I am familiar with the information contained in this application, and that to the best of my knowledge such information is true, complete and accurate.

Signature of Applicant or Agent Date

Sworn before me this 11th day of Avanst ,20 05 A.D.

JENNIFER MAZZEO
MY COMMISSION # DD 226251
EXPIRES: June 24, 2007
Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters

Notary Public
My Commission Expires

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MONROE CO. PLANNING DEPT.

#### THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MAY BE REQUIRED WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

Note: If supporting data such as blueprints or surveys are larger than 8 ½ x 14 inches, the applicant shall submit sixteen (16) copies of each.

- 16 Photographs of the subject property.
- Survey or site plan showing all proposed structures or subjects of this appeal.

APPEALS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS MUST BE FILED WITH THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND WITH THE PLANNING COORDINATOR WITHIN 30 WORKING DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE DECISION.

THE FOLLOWING NON-REFUNDABLE FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ALL APPEAL APPLICATIONS:

- a) \$250.00 Appeal Application Fee
- b) \$3.00 Notification fee per adjacent property owner.
- c) \$245.00 per Newspaper advertisement. (X3 newspapers).

Your check should be made payable to: "Monroe County Planning Department" and submitted with your application to:

> MONROE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT Attn: Planning Commission Coordinator 2798 Overseas Highway, Suite 410 Marathon, FL 33050-2227

> > AND

A copy of the application to: Tom Willi, Monroe County Administrator The Gato Building 1100 Simonton Street, Key West, FL 33040

PURSUANT TO SECTION 286.0105, FLORIDA STATUTES, NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT SUCH HEARING OR MEETING, THAT PERSON WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND THAT, FOR SUCH PURPOSE THAT PERSON MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED. SUCH RECORD TO BE AT THE COST OF THE APPELLANT. ALSO, MONROE COUNTY RESOLUTION #131-1992 REQUIRES THAT "IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION, HE SHALL PROVIDE A TRANSCRIPT OF THE HEARING BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION, PREPARED BY A COURT REPORTER AT THE APPLICANT'S EXPENSE, WHICH TRANSCRIPT SHALL BE FILED AS PART OF THE RECORD ON APPEAL WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED IN SECTION 9.5-521(f), MONROE COUNTY CODE."

Please Note: A transcript made from recordings or other secondary means does not provide a sufficiently accurate record of all the speakers. Therefore, such "secondary" transcripts

may not be accepted as a valid verbatim transcript.

# PART B:

# SURROUNDING PROPERTY OWNERS

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Gail M. Blair 1000 River Beach Dr, #415 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33315-1171

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Departments

Exemptions

Online Data Center

Forms

Aug 15, 2005 9:42AM

Contact the Webmaster.



## **ONLINE DATA CENTER**

#### RECORDS SEARCH

#### PROPERTY INFORMATION FOR:

Alternate Key: 1206822 RE Number: 00161250-000000

Print

Search Again

Email this office about this parcel.

#### **Property Details**

#### Show Property Map

OWNER OF RECORD

BAKER TRACY M 15 BOULDER DR KEY WEST FL 33040

PHYSICAL LOCATION

15 BOULDER DR SADDLEBUNCH KEYS

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

BK 7 LT 8 BAY POINT AMENDED PLAT SADDLEBUNCH KEYS PB3-75 OR580-226 OR691-54Q/C OR727-392 OR792-764 OR1090-883(CSP) OR1511-1755(ND) OR1609-2363(JMH) OR1728-976(CTT) OR1906-73(CMS)

#### SECTION, TOWNSHIP, RANGE

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**Estimate Taxes** 

PC CODE

01 - SINGLE FAMILY

#### **Building Details**

NUMBER OF BUILDINGS

TOTAL LIVING AREA

2038

NUMBER OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

YEAR BUILT 1958

Land Details

LAND USE CODE 010W - RES WATERFRONT LAND AREA

23025 SF

- Parcel Value History

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|------------------------|----------|----------------------------|---------|---------|------------------------------------|---------|--|
| TAX ROLL YEAR          | BUILDING | MISCELLANEOUS IMPROVEMENTS | LAND    | JUST    | EXEMPTIONS (NOT INCLUDING SENIORS) | TAXABLE |  |
| 2004                   | 200,629  | 16,662                     | 460,500 | 677,791 | 0                                  | 677,791 |  |
| 2003                   | 182,595  | 6,901                      | 383,136 | 572,632 | 0                                  | 572.632 |  |
| 2002                   | 144,998  | 7,108                      | 299,325 | 451,431 | 0                                  | 451,431 |  |

Parcel Sales History

NOTE - OUR RECORDS ARE TYPICALLY TWO TO THREE MONTHS BEHIND FROM THE DATE OF SALE. IF A RECENT SALE DOES

#### **PROPERTY INFORMATION FOR:**

Alternate Key: 1206971 RE Number: 00161400-000000

#### Property Details -

#### OWNER OF RECORD

VIVIEN JACQUES C & COLETTE 10 BOULDER DR KEY WEST FL 33040

#### PHYSICAL LOCATION

10 BOULDER DR SADDLEBUNCH KEYS

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

BK 7 LT 23 BAY POINT AMENDED PLAT SADDLEBUNCH KEYS PB-3-75 OR458-267/268 OR600-659D/C OR784-307 OR905-1659 OR1987-1176Q/C(LG)

#### SECTION, TOWNSHIP, RANGE

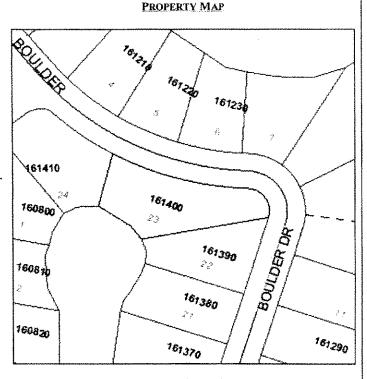
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#### MILLAGE GROUP

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#### PC CODE

01 - SINGLE FAMILY



| Building Details               |                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| NUMBER OF BUILDINGS            | TOTAL LIVING AREA |
| 1                              | 960               |
| NUMBER OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS | YEAR BUILT        |
| 0                              | 1979              |

| ٢ | - Land Details           |           |
|---|--------------------------|-----------|
|   | LAND USE CODE            | LAND AREA |
| ı | 010C - RESIDENTIAL CANAL | 14600 SF  |

| Parcel Value His | Parcel Value History |                               |         |         |                                    |         |
|------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|------------------------------------|---------|
| TAX ROLL YEAR    | BUILDING             | MISCELLANEOUS<br>IMPROVEMENTS | LAND    | JUST    | EXEMPTIONS (NOT INCLUDING SENIORS) | TAXABLE |
| 2004             | 125,740              | 2,492                         | 219,000 | 347,232 | 25,000                             | 128,019 |
| 2003             | 125,740              | 2,545                         | 102,200 | 230,485 | 25,000                             | 125,166 |
| 2002             | 153,508              | 2,610                         | 80,300  | 236,418 | 25,000                             | 121,647 |

# Parcel Sales History

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| SALE DATE | OFFICIAL RECORDS<br>BOOK/PAGE | PRICE  | INSTRUMENT |
|-----------|-------------------------------|--------|------------|
| 03/1984   | 905/1659                      | 100000 | WD         |
| 03/1979   | 784/307                       | 13500  | 00         |

#### PROPERTY INFORMATION FOR:

Alternate Key: 1206962 RE Number: 00161390-000000

#### Property Details -

#### OWNER OF RECORD

BLAIR GAIL M 1000 RIVER REACH DR #415 FT LAUDERDALE FL 33315-1171

#### PHYSICAL LOCATION

SADDLEBUNCH KEYS

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

BK 7 LT 22 BAY POINT AMENDED PLAT SADDLEBUNCH KEYS PB3-75 OR450-663/64 OR784-1360/61 (UNR D/C ON FILE-BLAIR ROBERT JAMES) CMS

#### SECTION, TOWNSHIP, RANGE

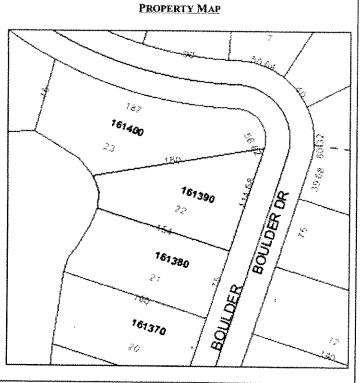
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| Г | · Land Details ———————   |           |
|---|--------------------------|-----------|
|   | LAND USE CODE            | LAND AREA |
| L | M10C - RESIDENTIAL CANAL | 12295 SF  |
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|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------------|---------|---|------------------------------------|---------|--|
| TAX ROLL YEAR         | BUILDING | MISCELLANEOUS<br>IMPROVEMENTS | LAND    | JUST                                    | EXEMPTIONS (NOT INCLUDING SENIORS) | TAXABLE |  |
| 2004                  | 0        | 0                             | 122,950 | 122,950                                 | 0                                  | 122,950 |  |
| 2003                  | 0        | 0                             | 73,770  | 73,770                                  | 0                                  | 73.770  |  |
| 2002                  | 0        | 0                             | 49,180  | 49,180                                  | 0                                  | 49,180  |  |
| No series because     |          |                               | *****   |   |                                    | ,       |  |

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#### **PROPERTY INFORMATION FOR:**

Alternate Key: 1206814 RE Number: 00161240-000000

#### Property Details

#### OWNER OF RECORD

PARKER GARY D 13 BOULDER DR KEY WEST FL 33040

#### PHYSICAL LOCATION

13 BOULDER DR SADDLEBUNCH KEY

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

BK 7 LT 7 BAY POINT AMENDED PLAT PB3-75 SADDLEBUNCH KEYS OR580-226 OR691-54-Q/C OR1090-883(CSP) OR1511-1755(ND) OR1565-366(CW) OR1754-1640(CTT) OR1759-985/86QC/MR(JMH)

#### SECTION, TOWNSHIP, RANGE

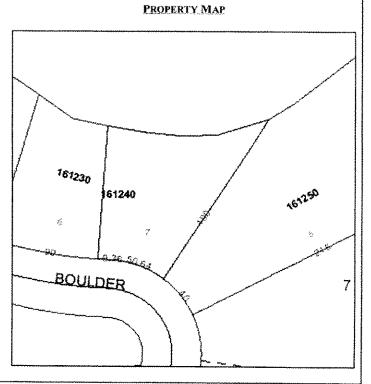
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#### MILLAGE GROUP

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PC CODE

01 - SINGLE PAMILY



| ┌ Building Details ─────       |                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Number of Buildings            | TOTAL LIVING AREA |
| 1                              | 1686              |
| NUMBER OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS | YEAR BUILT        |
| 0                              | 2001              |

| ┌ Land Details ───    |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| LAND USE CODE         | LAND AREA |
| 010W - RES WATERFRONT | 13888 SF  |

| Parcel Value History |          |                               |         |         |                                    |         |
|----------------------|----------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|------------------------------------|---------|
| TAX ROLL YEAR        | BUILDING | MISCELLANEOUS<br>IMPROVEMENTS | LAND    | JUST    | EXEMPTIONS (NOT INCLUDING SENIORS) | TAXABLE |
| 2004                 | 233,856  | 12,492                        | 347.200 | 593,548 | 25,000                             | 410,473 |
| 2003                 | 233,856  | 12.954                        | 180,544 | 427,354 | 25,000                             | 402.354 |
| 2002                 | 207,880  | 7,604                         | 76,384  | 291,868 | 0                                  | 291.868 |

| Parcel Sales History — |                               |                         |                             |
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| SALE DATE              | OFFICIAL RECORDS<br>BOOK/PAGE | PRICE                   | INSTRUMENT                  |
| 01/2002                | 1754/1640                     | 550000                  | WD                          |
| 03/1999                | 1565/366                      | 80000                   | WD                          |
| 04/1998                | 1511/1755                     | 1                       | WD                          |

#### **PROPERTY INFORMATION FOR:**

Alternate Key: 1206849 RE Number: 00161270-000000

#### Property Details -

#### OWNER OF RECORD

DOBEASKY DONALD R AND SUZANNE 19 BOULDER DR KEY WEST FL 33040

#### PHYSICAL LOCATION

19 BOULDER DR SADDLEBUNCH KEY

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

BK 7 LOTS 9 & 10 BAY POINT AMENDED PLAT PB3-75 SADDLE BUNCH KEYS OR103-284/285 OR471-659 OR654-686 OR754-673 OR905-1361D/C OR908-976D/C OR1046-605 OR1154-2435 OR1524-1090R/S OR2

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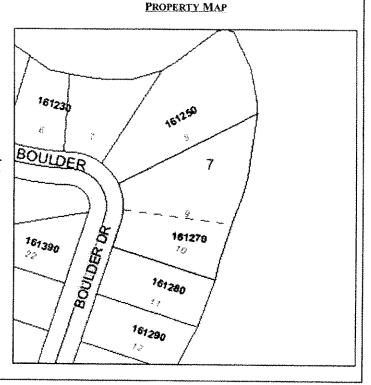
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#### MILLAGE GROUP

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#### PC CODE

01 - SINGLE FAMILY



#### Building Details -

| Alteration is | or  | Dr. 22 | EXELECTOR . |
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NUMBER OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

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| To    | OTAL LIVING AREA |
|       | 1828             |
|       | YEAR BUILT       |
|       | 1958             |

#### Land Details -

| LAND USE CODE         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 010W - RES WATERFRONT |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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LAND AREA 12594 SF 14988 SF

| rarcel value History |          |                               |         |         |                                    |         |  |  |
|----------------------|----------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|------------------------------------|---------|--|--|
| TAX ROLL YEAR        | BUILDING | MISCELLANEOUS<br>IMPROVEMENTS | LAND    | JUST    | EXEMPTIONS (NOT INCLUDING SENIORS) | TAXABLE |  |  |
| 2004                 | 134,620  | 7,186                         | 479,718 | 621,524 | 0                                  | 621,524 |  |  |
| 2003                 | 134,620  | 7,454                         | 298,614 | 440,688 | 0                                  | 440,688 |  |  |
| 2002                 | 104,696  | 7,712                         | 261,144 | 373,552 | 0                                  | 373.552 |  |  |

Parcel Sales History -

NOTE - OUR RECORDS ARE TYPICALLY TWO TO THREE MONTHS BEHIND FROM THE DATE OF SALE, IF A RECENT SALE DOES NOT SHOW UP PLEASE GIVE OUR OFFICE TIME TO PROCESS IT.

| SALE DATE | OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK/PAGE | PRICE  | INSTRUMENT |  |
|-----------|----------------------------|--------|------------|--|
| 06/1998   | 1524/1090                  | 360000 | WD         |  |
| 12/1990   | 1154/2435                  | 215000 | WD         |  |
| 02/1971   | 471/659                    | 17000  | 00         |  |

# PART B:

# APPLICANT'S BASIS FOR APPEAL

The Appellant, Dr. Tracy Baker, removed a below foot area kitchen and interior partition walls, and a bathroom, and porch. He converted what was previously a substandard apartment into a storage area. He replaced the damaged original flooring with flood resistant tile on the floor but failed to use flood resistant dry wall. The demolition of this sum said apartment, and its conversion into a storage area was done without benefit of a permit. The purpose of this appeal is to allow him to obtain an after-the-fact permit to complete the storage area using flood resistant dry wall on the pre-existing walls. It is uncontroverted that the removal of the kitchen, porch and bathroom, flooring, and partition walls greatly exceed in value the replacement of flood resistant floor tiles and wallboard and the conversion of this former living area into a storage area

The "substantial improvement" criteria found in section 9.5–317 are inappropriately and incorrectly applied in the June 30 letter. The effect of the letter is to require the destruction of substantial portion of the property owner's residence. More significantly, the property owner was not given an opportunity to present any information or evidence that would alter the conclusions based on incorrect assumptions found in the June 30 letter. The private appraisals provided were disregarded because they did not match the conclusions predetermined in the letter. Specifically;

1. Section 9.5-316.2 allows "Market Value" to be established by property appraisals submitted by the applicant. In the June 30 letter, the County relies on the Monroe County Property Appraisers valuation for the determination of "market value" before hurricane George at \$69,923. In that same letter reference is made to the private appraisal that the applicant provided for 1997, over a year before

- Hurricane Georges, that established the value of the home at \$325,000. There is no reason given why the lower Property Appraisers value was utilized in determining Market Value in light of the qualified appraisal provided.
- 2. There is no attempt in the June 30 letter to place a value on the construction improvements to the house. The determination that it is a "Substantial Improvement" in excess of 50% of the value of the property has no basis in fact presented by the applicant or the county.
- 3. Section 9.5–316.2 allows the County Building Official to consider the cost approach in determining the value of the construction "consistent with local construction costs. The County has made no effort whatsoever to determine the value of the construction. That section goes to state, "where the cost approach is not accepted by the staff because it appears to be inconsistent with local construction costs, an applicant may request review by an independent third-party appraiser duly authorized by the County." The property owner was not only not given any value for the construction improvements, but he was not afforded the opportunity for third-party review that is authorized by the Code.
- 4. The post Hurricane Georges increase in value is attributed entirely to the alleged construction improvements with no consideration whatsoever for the substantial increase in property values that has occurred throughout the County.
- 5. The county is failed to take into consideration that the construction improvements alleged to be a "Substantial Improvement" in excess of 50% of the value of the home was in fact the demolition of a pre-existing below flood

residential apartment and its replacement with a dedicated storage area using flood resistant materials. The property owner's activity seems to be more consistent with the policies and purposes of our Code and Comprehensive Plan than is taken into consideration in the June 30 letter.

# PART B:

# STAFF DETERMINATION BEING APPEALED

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June 30, 2005

Tracy M. Baker 15 Boulder Drive Baypoint, FL 33040

RE: Permit application 05-1-3369: RE#00161250-0000000

#### Dear Mr.Baker:

This letter is to inform you that your application for a permit to remove drywall below base flood elevation and replace it with flood resistant material is denied. This letter follows a previous denial letter dated February 11, 2004, regarding permit application 04-1-306 for an after the fact lower enclosure flood repairs and removal of a damaged shed roof.

As you are aware, I have been providing information to your attorney Mr. Frank Greenman and you on a periodic basis since 2003, with regard to the issues of this home being substantially improved without benefit of permits. While the substantial improvements made to the structure immediately after Hurricane Georges are protected from code enforcement proceedings by the four-year statute of limitations, the building department cannot issue permits for a substantially improved building below base flood elevation unless it comes into compliance with the Florida Building Code and County Code.

The structure referenced above was built in 1958, before the current elevation requirements were in effect and is nonconforming to the floodplain elevation requirements of Section 9.5-317, Monroe County Code. It is subject to the substantial improvement regulations, more commonly known as the 50% rule, that apply to ground level structures built prior to the County's participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. Federal and state laws and the Monroe County

floodplain regulations governing these structures require that improvements to ground level structures pre-existing prior to the County's participation be limited to less than 50% of the market value of the existing structure without being subject to the elevation requirements.

In my letter to Mr. Greenman, dated May 14, 2003, the following facts led to my determination that the structure was substantially improved after Hurricane Georges.

- (1. The 2003 Property Tax Card contained the following appraiser's notes: "The SFR has been gutted, and is being rebuilt plus an addition. The sale was more or less a land purchase." The Property Appraiser's building values for the structure in 1998 (pre Hurricane Georges) and 2002 were \$69,923 and \$144,998 respectively. 49.9 percent of \$69,923 yields a figure of \$34,891, which is the maximum value of improvement that would be allowed under the County's regulations to be considered a non-substantial improvement. Therefore, the 2002 building value of \$144,998, which was without benefit of any permits, is substantially beyond this threshold.
- The 1997 property tax card and the 2003 property tax card showed different building layouts for the structure, including additions.
- (3. The 1997 and 2003 appraisals showed different interior layouts including additions. The Area Calculation Summary for the 1997 and 2003 appraisals had the gross living area (GLA1) at 1511.50 square feet and 1738.50 square feet respectively. The estimated market value in the 1997 appraisal was \$325,000 and \$525,000 in the 2003 appraisal with the depreciated building value in 2003 of 165,580.

The work in progress on the structure, which was stopped by code enforcement, is not subject to the statute of limitations regarding the improvements made over four-years ago. Mr. Greenman was advised by Ronda Norman, Director of Code Enforcement, that based on the substantial damage determination of the May 14, 2003 letter, the remedy to settle the code enforcement case is to bring that portion of the structure subject to the code enforcement proceedings, back to its original block wall construction. No after-the-fact or new permits can be issued to authorize the cited unlawful improvements, as the building has been determined to be substantially improved, unless the building is elevated to or above base flood

elevation and brought into compliance with all applicable building and development codes.

You have the right to appeal this decision. I have enclosed an application for your convenience. An appeal must be filed within 30 working days of this decision and be accompanied by a non-refundable filing fee of \$250.00, a non-refundable newspaper advertising fee of \$245.00 for each newspaper (\$245.00 x 3, \$735.00) and a non-refundable notification fee of \$3.00 for each adjacent property owner. If you do not appeal this decision your application will be closed.

Your application will be placed on hold pending notification from you as to how you wish to proceed. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (305) 289-2518.

Sincerely,

Dianne Bair, CFM

Special Projects Administrator Growth Management Division

Cc: Permitting File

Ronda Norman, Director, Code Enforcement

Procraft of South Florida

PO Box 1964

Big Pine Key, FL 33043

# PART C:

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# PART C:

# FEES AND RECEIPT

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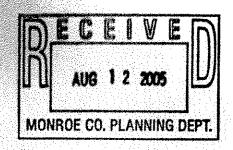
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